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NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH 37 CFR 1.192(c)

The Appeal Brief filed 9/29/97 is defective for failure to comply with one or more provisions of 37 CFR 1.192(c). See 1092 O.G. 33, July 12, 1988 and MPEP § 1206.

Applicant is given a TIME LIMIT of ONE MONTH from the date of this letter or any time remaining in the period under 37 CFR 1.192(a) for filing a new complete brief. If a new brief that fully complies with 37 CFR 1.192(c) is not timely submitted, the appeal will be dismissed as of the date of expiration of the period provided by 37 CFR 1.192(a). No extension of this one month time limit may be obtained under either 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b) but the original two-month period under 37 CFR 1.192(a) for filing the brief may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a) up to six months from the date of the Notice of Appeal.

1. The brief does not contain the items required under 37 CFR 1.192(c), or the items are not under the proper heading or in the proper order. (See explanation in box 8 below, if appropriate.)
2. The brief does not contain a statement of the status of all claims, pending or cancelled, or does not identify the appealed claims. 37 CFR 1.192(c)(1). (See explanation in box 8 below, if appropriate.)
3. The brief does not contain a statement of the status of each amendment filed subsequent to the final rejection. 37 CFR 1.192(c)(2). (See explanation in box 8 below, if appropriate.)
4. The brief does not contain a concise explanation of the claimed invention, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawing, if any, by reference characters. 37 CFR 1.192(c)(3). (See explanation in box 8 below, if appropriate.)
5. The brief does not contain a concise statement of the issues presented for review. 37 CFR 1.192(c)(4) (See explanation in box 8 below, if appropriate.)
6. The brief does not contain a correct copy of the appealed claims as an appendix thereto. 37 CFR 1.192(c)(7). (See explanation in box 8 below, if appropriate.)
7. The brief does not present an argument under a separate heading for each issue on appeal. 37 CFR 1.192(c)(6). (See explanation in box 8 below, if appropriate.)
8. Explanation in support of items 1-7 above, if appropriate:

Claim 7, lines 24-25 of the Appendix of the Appeal Brief filed 9/29/97 do not identically correspond to claim 7, lines 24-25, as originally filed in the Amendment of 4/13/94 (Paper #6) and never amended thereafter. Applicant is requested to submit a formal amendment of claim 7 to place the claim in the manner recited in the 9/29/97 Appeal Brief (Paper #25), in accordance with MPEP § 1207, and/or to re-file the Appeal Brief with an Appendix containing a correct copy of claim 7.

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